County Service Area (CSA) 17 Cherokee Industrial Park Community Meeting

San Joaquin County Department of Public Works

August 27, 2024





Agenda

Department **District Overviews Financial Situation** Income Cost Drivers Financial Status **Proposed Rates** Next Steps



What is a Special District

- Form of local government created to provide a specific service within defined boundary
- Separate fund from rest of the County
- Revenue from charges stays in the district, not spent for other purposes

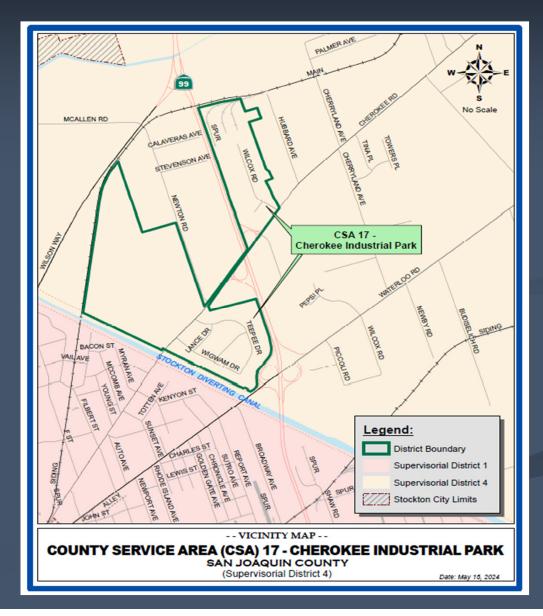
 Must be generally self-supporting from customer charges – GENERAL FUND UNABLE TO SUBSIDIZE COSTS



San Joaquin County **Public Works Department** Administers over 100 special districts Services provided include water, sewer, storm drainage and street lighting Provide water service to over 5,600 properties in 32 districts Provides storm drain services to 51 districts serving approximately 6,700 properties

CSA 17 Cherokee Industrial Park Boundary

- Established in 1978
- 57 Properties Served
 - Key Facilities:
 - Over 8,431 linear feet of storm drain pipe
 - Storm Drain Lift
 Station
 - 17 Fire Hydrants



Current Rates - CSA 17 Cherokee Industrial

- Current annual water rate (fire hydrant) \$48 (\$4 per month)
- Current annual storm drain rate per single family home - \$90 (\$7.50 per month)
- Current annual lighting rate \$30 (\$2.50 per month)
 Charged on property tax bill



What Your Rates Pay For

Operation and maintenance of the systems

Labor:

- Staff for system operation and maintenance
- Equipment repairs
- Fire hydrant, Drainage, & Lighting Maintenance
- Billing and administrative costs
- Electricity for Storm Pump



Reason's for Recommendation

County staff costs increased with inflation
Proposed rate keeps up with materials & labor
Continue to maintain reserves for future capital replacement as inflation increases
Fire hydrant & storm drain service charges cover operating and administrative expenses

No rate increase in 16 years



Proposed Rates – CSA 17

- 2.6% inflationary increase proposed for FY 2024-2025
 - Keeps up with inflationary costs to power & labor
 - No loss to fund balance
- Yearly increase = \$1.25 per property (\$0.10 per month)
- Inflationary Adjustments until FY 2028-2029 may be applied

Current Rate	Proposed Rate
annual	annual
\$48	\$49.25



Proposed Rates – CSA 17

2.6% inflationary increase proposed for FY 2024-2025
Yearly increase = \$2.34 per property (\$0.20 per month)
Inflationary Adjustments until FY 2028-2029 may be applied

Current Annual	Proposed Annual
Storm Drainage	Storm Drainage
Rate	Rate
\$90	\$92.34



If Rates Are Not Approved

Without sufficient revenue, the County may need to impose cost saving measures. Measures may include:

- Reduce after-hours and weekend service calls
- Reduce regular maintenance of the system
- Postpone equipment replacement



Next Steps

Public Hearing scheduled October 8, 2024 Notices have been mailed **Questions?** Call or email: Robert Davalos (209) 468-3697 or rdavalos@sjgov.org Visit your district website at: www.sjgov.org/ud



CSA 17 - Financial Status

10 Year Fund Balance Projection

